THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) to (d) The National Transport Policy Committee (Pande Committee) was constituted to formulate a National Transport Policy for the country for the next decade or so. The document containing the recommendations of National Transport Policy Committee, views of the Government thereon and accepted Plan of action was placed in the Library of Parliament on 19th July, 1982. Recommendations of National Transport Policy Committee were discussed at length in Lok Sabha in March, 1985. The recommendations and observations of the Committee are more in the nature of a perspective plan and their implementation is thus a continuous process. While formulating the Sixth and Seventh Five Year Plans these recommendations have been duly taken into account.

Loss to railway in Punjab

@@@1888-C. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Railway stations were burnt by the agitators in Punjab during January and February, 1986;

(b) if so, what has been the total damage caused to the Railways in Punjab during the last three years;

(c) what protection has been provided to the Railway stations in Punjab to avoid such huge damage to the Railways in the State;

(d) whether any persons responsible for the burning of stations have been arrested; and

(e) if so, what action has taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) Two incidents of setting Railway stations on fire by miscreants in Punjab occurred during January and February, 1986.

(b) A loss of Rs. 11,26,927/- was caused in such incidents during the last three years.

(c) Necessary security arrangements have been made by the State Government for the protection of Railway stations in the State.

(d) and (e) 60 persons were arrested in cases relating to such incidents during the last three years. Out of them, 31 persons have been acquitted by courts, cases against 13 persons have been withdrawn by the State Government, cases against 15 persons have been treated as untraced and a case against one person is pending in the court.

@@@Previously Unstarred Question 1701, transferred from the 12th March, 1986.

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PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Notification of the Ministry of External Affairs

II. The Foreign Marriages (Amendment) Rules, 1985

III. The (Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Fees) (Amendment) Rules, 1985.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table:—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of External Affairs, under sub-section (3) of section 24 of the Passports Act, 1967, together with a statement giving reasons for delay in laying the Notifications:—

(i) G.S.R. No. 767(E), dated the 16th November, 1984, amending schedule of Government Notification G.S.R. No. 482(E), dated 13th June, 1983.

(ii) G.S.R. No. 20(E), dated the 14th January, 1985, exempting certain citizens of India from the operation of section 5 of the Act.

(iii) G.S.R. No. 282(E), dated the 18th March, 1985, amending Government Notification No. G.S.R. No. 353(E), dated 26th May, 1976. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2279|86 for (i) to (iii)]

(iv) G.S.R. No. 345(E), dated the 4th April, 1985, publishing the Passports (Amendment) Rules, 1985.

(v) G.S.R. No. 860(E), dated the 21st November, 1985, publishing the Passports (Second Amendment) Rules, 1985. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2200|86 for (iv) and (v)]

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of External Affairs Notification G.S.R. No. 861(E), dated the 21st November, 1985, publishing the Foreign Marriages (Amendment) Rules, 1985, under sub-section (3) of section 28 of the Foreign Marriages Act, 1969, together with a statement giving reasons for delay in laying the Notification. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2201|86]

III. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of External Affairs Notification G.S.R. No. 862(E), dated the 21st November, 1985, publishing the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Fees) (Amendment) Rules, 1985, under sub-section (3) of section 8 of the Diplomatic and Consular Officers (Oaths and Fees) Act, 1948, together with a statement giving reasons for delay in laying the notification. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2202|86]

Report and Accounts (1984-85) of the Rehabilitation Plantation Limited, Punalur and related papers

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table:—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:—

(i) Ninth Annual Report and Accounts of the Rehabilitation Plantations Limited, Punalur, for the year 1984-85, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of Company.

II. Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at I(i) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2272|86 for I and II]

Statement regarding the 'Vote on Accounts' for National Airports Authority.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) regarding the 'Vote on Accounts' for National Airports Authority. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-2204|86]

Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table:—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under Section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962 together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:—

(1) G.S.R. No. 318(E), dated the 26th February, 1986, amending Notification No. 99|86-Customs, dated the 17th February, 1986.

(2) G.S.R. No. 319(E), dated the 26th February, 1986, amending Notification No. 163|85-Cus., dated the 24th May, 1985.

(3) G.S.R. No. 320(E), dated the 26th February, 1986, amending Notification No. 136-Cus., dated the 17th February, 1986.